

Prominent Musician of Roanoke



GASTON OTEY WILKINS, OF ROANOKE.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Roanoke, Va., May 11.—Among the leading musicians of Roanoke is Gaston Otey Wilkins, director of voice and organ department in the Virginia College for Young Women, a concert organist of ability and a successful composer of both vocal and instrumental music.

Mr. Wilkins, though comparatively a recent comer, has plunged into the musical life of the city and has already proven himself a powerful factor in the musical development of Roanoke. Indeed, Lynchburg, which for years has been the usual center of the western end of the State, must look to her laurels in the future, so fast is Roanoke forging ahead musically as well as materially and otherwise.

Through Mr. Wilkins' efforts the people of Roanoke and Southwest Virginia within the last two months have had the privilege of hearing Nordick and Schumann-Heink in two beautiful concerts, and have witnessed the successful presentation of "an opera composed by Mr. Wilkins himself and sung by Roanoke talent."

Mr. Wilkins, who is thirty-two years old, is a native of Lynchburg, his father being Herbert Claiborne Wilkins, a lineal descendant of Benjamin Harrison, of Berkeley and Brandon, and his mother a daughter of Captain Gaston Otey of Lynchburg, commander of the Otey Battery, Army of Northern Virginia. Though born in Lynchburg, Mr. Wilkins lived until his eighteenth year in Richmond, where he attended McClellan's University School and Richmond College. At thirteen he was organist of Epiphany Church, Barton Heights, and assistant organist of St. Mark's, where his teacher, Miss Mina Dashiell, was organist. Mr. Wilkins has studied under teachers of international fame, but considers as the foundation builders of his musical ability Miss Dashiell, his first teacher of the organ, and Miss Mamie Webb, who guided his childish fingers in the knowledge of the piano.

From Richmond the Wilkins family moved to Washington, where young Wilkins went into the music and advertising business, continuing his musical studies, meanwhile under Dr. John Theophilus and Harvey Murray, of that city. He was organist of Emmanuel Church and Epiphany Church, Washington, until 1901, when he accepted the position of organist and choirmaster of St. Mark's Church, Denver, Colo., and entered on a successful teaching and concert career. Mr. Wilkins remained in Denver nine years, where he studied voice under Marvin Victor Hinshaw, brother of W. V. Hinshaw, of the Metropolitan Opera Company. It was in Denver that he discovered his talent for composition. Collaborating with J. M. Woodward, of New

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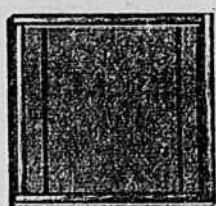
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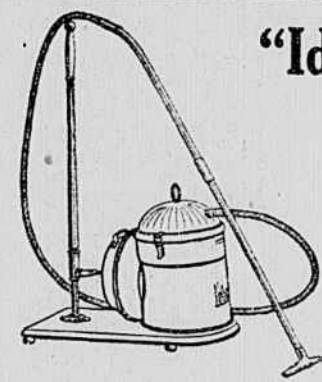
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ASHEVILLE

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Asheville, N. C., May 11.—One of the most interesting announcements of the season is that of the engagement of Miss Lalage Oates and Ted Horton, which was made at an informal bridge party given Thursday evening by Miss Mary Stickleather, at her home on Church Street, in honor of Miss Mabel Gossett, of Williamson, S. C., who is the guest of Miss Stickleather. The games of bridge were interrupted by the arrival of a messenger boy, who bore a telegram in verse announcing the engagement of the popular young couple. The wedding will take place during next month, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Rush Oates, on College Street. The bride-to-be is a graduate of Randolph-Macon, where she was a member of the Kappa Delta Sorority. Mr. Horton is a civil engineer, and is now engaged at work at Crestmont, N. C., where he and his charming young bride will reside.

The annual picnic of the St. Genevieve's Convent was given Wednesday afternoon at Weaverville, the members of the student body having taken the interurban for that place early in the morning. They spent the day in a most enjoyable manner in the grove at Weaverville, and returned to Asheville shortly before sunset.

At her home on Summit Street Saturday evening, Mrs. Perry Cobb entertained a number of her friends informally. Those who attended participated in card games, and at the conclusion of the playing delicious refreshments were served. The affair was a most enjoyable one.

At the last meeting of the Saturday

Music Club, which was held at the home of Mrs. W. B. Meacham, the following officers were elected for the coming year: President, Mrs. Robert P. Campbell; Vice-President, Mrs. Frances Cleminger; Secretary, Mrs. W. S. Whitting; Treasurer, Mrs. W. Banks Meacham; members of the program committee, Mrs. Julia Burdick, Mrs. O. C. Hamilton and Miss Carrie Whitlock.

Miss Emily Campbell was the hostess to a large number of her friends Tuesday evening at her home on South Main Street, where she entertained informally at bridge. The affair was a thoroughly enjoyable one, and the games were spirited.

Captain Cleveland Norton, J. Y. McDonald and C. W. Glasgow have resigned from the faculty of the Bingham School in order that they may give their attention next year to their studies in other institutions. Captain Norton goes to the University of Virginia, where he will study law, and Captain Glasgow will take law at the Columbia University, while Captain

McDonald will take an agricultural course at Cornell. The three young men have been at Bingham for a number of years, and during their residence here they have made many friends, who will regret to learn that they will not be here next year.

Judge Jeter C. Pritchard, of this city, will deliver the annual address before the graduating class of the Charlotte High School this year.

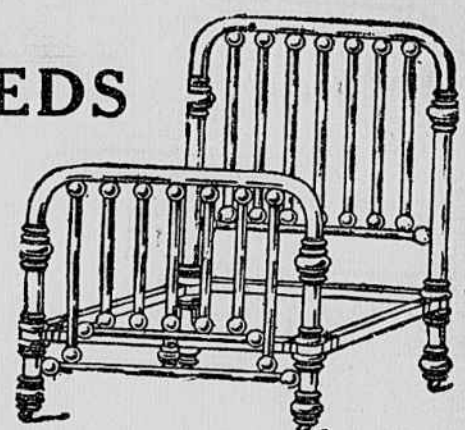
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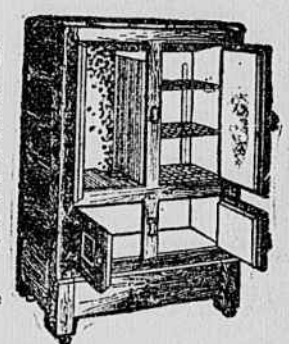
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BUENA VISTA

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Buena Vista, Va., May 11.—The graduating recital on Monday evening at the Southern Seminary by Miss Mary Spencer and Miss Williams Billings, assisted by the musical treat of the season, Misses Spencer and Williams showed the work of the finished pupil, and their playing was all that could be desired. Miss Billings is a young pupil in the vocal department, this being her first year at the seminary, and her work completely captivated the audience from the start

and she was called upon for encores at the close of each selection.

Tuesday evening "The Deacon" was presented in the Opera House by local talent, and all who attended pronounced it the best play ever given by local talent.

Saturday evening the Washington and Lee Glee Club gave a very enjoyable concert at the Southern Seminary.

Miss Mary Garth, of Charlottesville; Miss Annie Mason Potts, of Ashland, and Mrs. Heaton, of Aylett, who have been spending some time at the seminary, have returned to their homes.

Misses Grace and Minette Lee and Miss Helen Hanley spent the week-end at Ashland.

Misses Rice and Kold, of the Southern Seminary, spent the week-end at Luray.

Miss Hughes, of Nelson county, who has been the guest of Miss Pearl Dillard, has returned to her home.

W. T. Puxton, W. N. Key and T. Dickinson are spending several days in Washington this week.

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